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Dear Sirs,

Our Institute of tropical and subtropical agriculture is engaged in research work and teaching about problems of agriculture in the areas of tropical and subtropical climate.

For the scientific treatment of the questions of agriculture in these regions - this being one of the most important branches of national economy - extensive statistical, economical and physical data are required. In fact they are indispensable for exact work.

In this connection we are especially interested in economic problems of agriculture. We beg to inform you on some of them:

The position of agriculture in national economy -
The structure and ownership-relations in agriculture -
What kind of projects and measures are planned?
Which are the essential parts and which periods will they include?
Which are the economic problems of the main plants cultivated?
What measures are planned in the field of mechanization of agricultural production?

We learnt that these questions may be studied to some extent from publications. Possibly we might take data from statistical year-books of your country, from the reports of the authorities of agriculture and of co-operation, from economic plans, banking accounts etc. We ask you the favour to help us in our scientific work and kindly send us if possible corresponding materials.

We should be pleased if we might also help you in conveying data on any questions you are interested in.

Hoping you will give us an answer

yours faithfully

(Dr.habil. H. Pagel)

acting Director of the Institute